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User Guide

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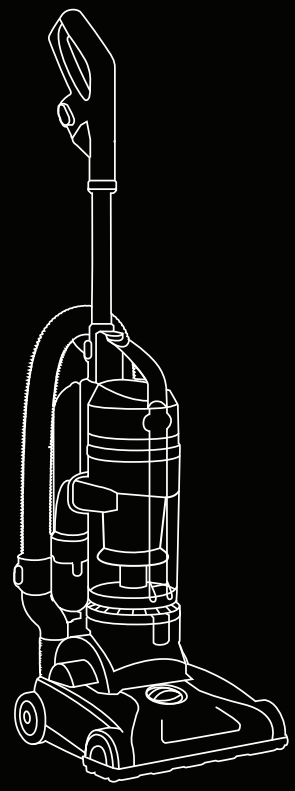


Get Cleaning...

What's your Vax model number? (Located on the top flap of the packaging)

e.g. U88-M8-B

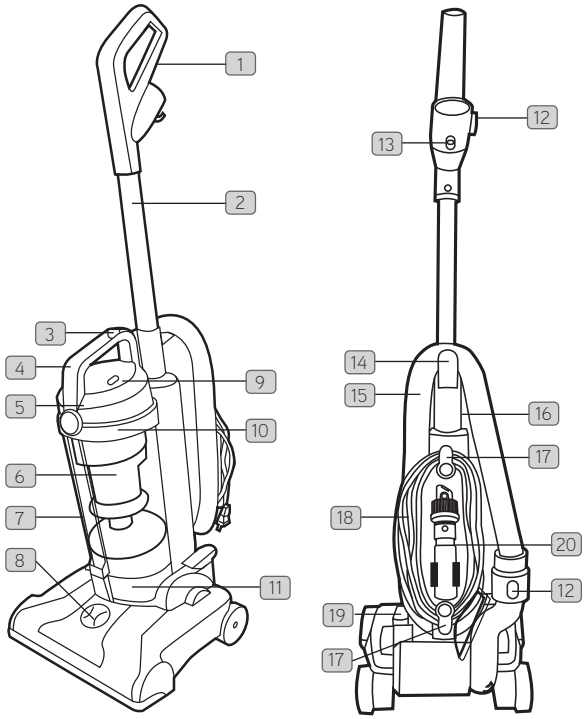
What's your serial number? (Located on the base of the machine)

Note these down in case you need them in future. Please keep instructions for further use.

Machine Overview

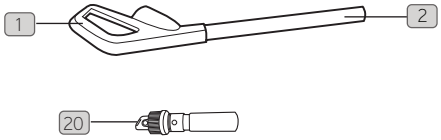
1. Handle
2. Extension tube
3. Dirt container release button
4. Carry handle
5. Dirt container lid
6. Separator
7. Dirt container
8. Brushbar height adjust
9. Blockage indicator
10. Pre-motor filter (hidden)
11. Post motor filter (hidden)
12. Hose release button
13. Cord safety hook
14. Hose storage
15. Hose
16. Extension tube release button (hidden)
17. Cord storage hook
18. Cord
19. Power on/off button
20. 2-in-1 tool (crevice tool & dusting brush)

PLEASE NOTE: some parts may vary according to model. Please check inside flap of box for more details.

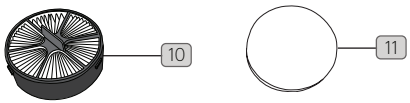


Unit

Accessories



Filters



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General Safety Information

FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.

When using the vacuum cleaner, basic safety precautions should always be observed, including the following:

1. Only use the vacuum cleaner indoors on dry surfaces.
2. Turn off the vacuum cleaner controls before disconnecting or connecting from the mains supply.
3. Always unplug the vacuum cleaner before connecting or disconnecting the vacuum hose and accessories.
4. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
5. This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
6. Use only as described in this manual. Use only Vax recommended attachments.
7. Do not use the vacuum cleaner if it has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors or dropped into water. Do not use the vacuum cleaner with a damaged cord or plug. If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer or a recommended Service Agent to avoid hazard and invalidating the guarantee.
8. Do not pull or carry by cord/hose. Do not use the cord/hose as a handle, close a door on the cord/hose or pull cord/hose around sharp edges or corners. Do not run the vacuum cleaner over the cord/hose. Keep the cord away from heated surfaces.
9. Do not handle the plug or vacuum cleaner with wet hands. Do not use outdoors or on wet surfaces.
10. Do not put any objects into openings. Do not use with any openings blocked and do not restrict air-flow. Keep all openings free of dust, lint, hair or anything that might reduce airflow.
11. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers and all parts of the body away from openings and moving parts.
12. Do not pick up hot coals, cigarette butts, matches or any hot, smoking or burning objects.
13. Do not pick up flammable or combustible materials (lighter fluid, petrol, kerosene etc.) or use in the presence of explosive liquids or vapours.
14. Do not vacuum up harmful or toxic material (chlorine, bleach, ammonia, drain cleaner etc.).
15. Do not vacuum up hard or sharp objects such as glass, nails, screws, coins, etc.
16. Do not use without ALL of the filters in place.
17. Take extra care when vacuuming on stairs.
18. Keep vacuuming area well lit.
19. Store the vacuum cleaner in a cool, dry area.
20. Turn off the on/off switch before unplugging the vacuum cleaner
21. Use only CE-approved 13 amp extension cords. Non-approved cords may overheat. Care should be taken to arrange the cord so that the cord cannot be tripped over.

WARNING: Always switch off and unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical outlet before assembling, opening or emptying the dirt container, or before connecting/disconnecting the attachments.

CAUTION: The vacuum cleaner is a very powerful unit. Before plugging the cord into the electrical outlet, make sure the switch is in the 'off' position.

IMPORTANT: If the inlet, hose or extension tube is blocked, switch off the vacuum cleaner and remove the blockage(s) before re-starting the vacuum cleaner. See Maintenance; Clearing Blockages.

IMPORTANT: Cleaning filters maintains vacuum performance. Vax recommends that your filters should be checked and cleaned periodically. If your filters are washable make sure they are completely dry before inserting back into the vacuum cleaner.

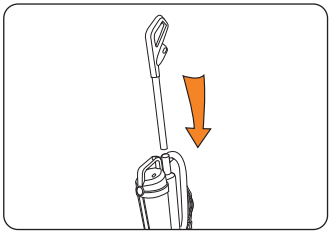
IMPORTANT: The motor is equipped with a thermal cut-out. If for any reason the unit should overheat, the thermostat will automatically turn the unit off. Should this occur, unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical outlet and turn off the switch. Remove dirt container and empty. Clean filters. Allow the unit to cool for approximately one (1) hour. To re-start, plug into an electrical outlet and switch back on.

This vacuum cleaner is intended for household use only and NOT for commercial or industrial use.

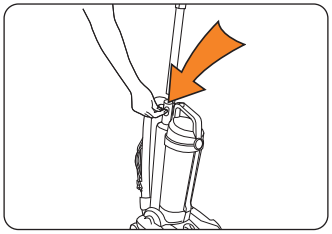
PLEASE KEEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR FURTHER USE.

Operation

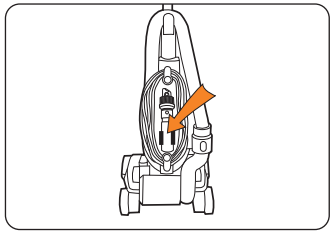
Assembling the appliance



Insert handle into main unit. Push down until handle locks into place.

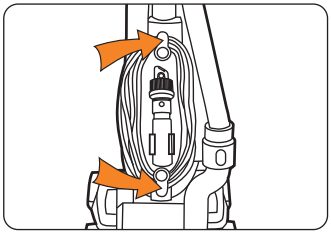


To remove, press handle release button.

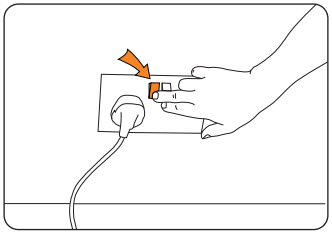


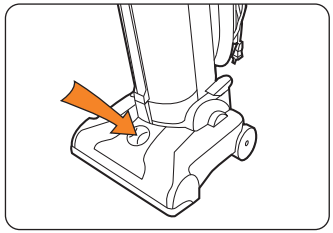
Push 2-in-1 tool into storage area on the back of the main unit.

Operating the appliance



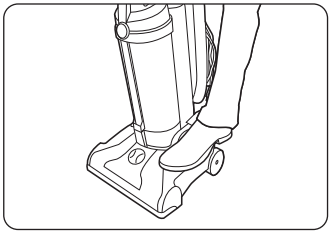
Twist cord storage hook to release cord.



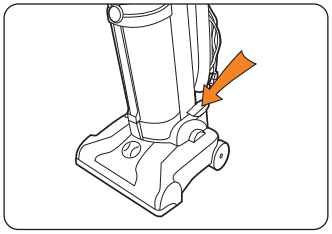


In upright position turn brushbar height adjust to desired setting.

High - long carpet pile and hard floors
Low - short carpet pile



Place foot on floor nozzle and pull back machine to recline into operating position



Turn unit on.

IMPORTANT: When the vacuum cleaner is stood in the upright position, or when using the hose and tools, the brushbar height adjust must be set to the highest position.

IMPORTANT: Vax recommends that you raise the height of the brushbar to the highest position when using this cleaner on lino and hard flooring due to constant brushbar rotation. Vax cannot be held responsible for damage to these surfaces if the customer fails to take notice of this recommendation.

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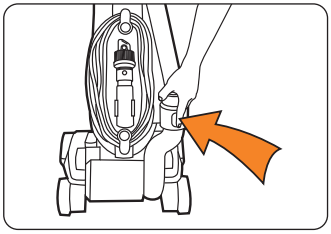
Operation

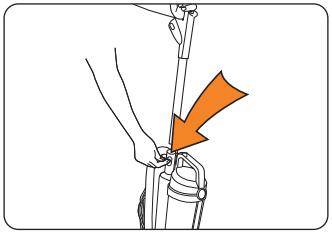
Using accessories

NOTE: The 2-in-1 tool can only be attached to the extension tube.
NOTE: This unit has a constantly rotating brushbar. Vax recommends you raise the brushbar to the highest setting before attaching accessories.

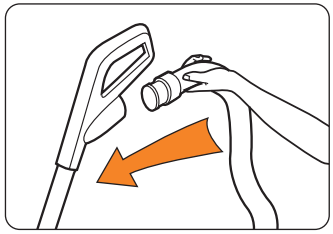
Attaching to extension tube



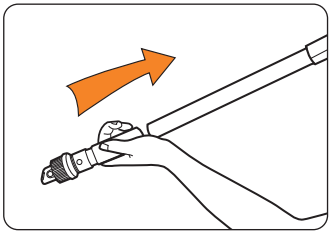
Remove hose from its holder and unwind hose from unit.



Press the extension tube release button and remove tube from holder.



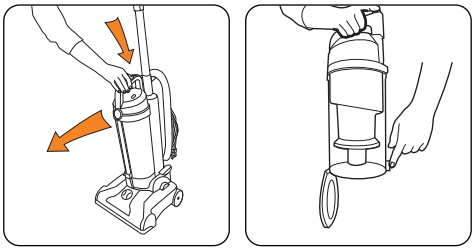
Attach hose to extension tube.



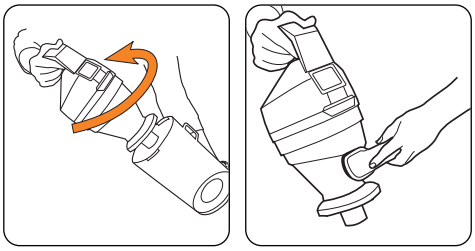
For crevice tool, slide brush downwards until it clicks into place. For dusting brush, slide brushes upwards until it snaps into place.

Maintenance (Keep your Vax as good as new)

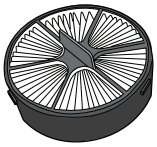
Emptying the dirt container



Cleaning the separator



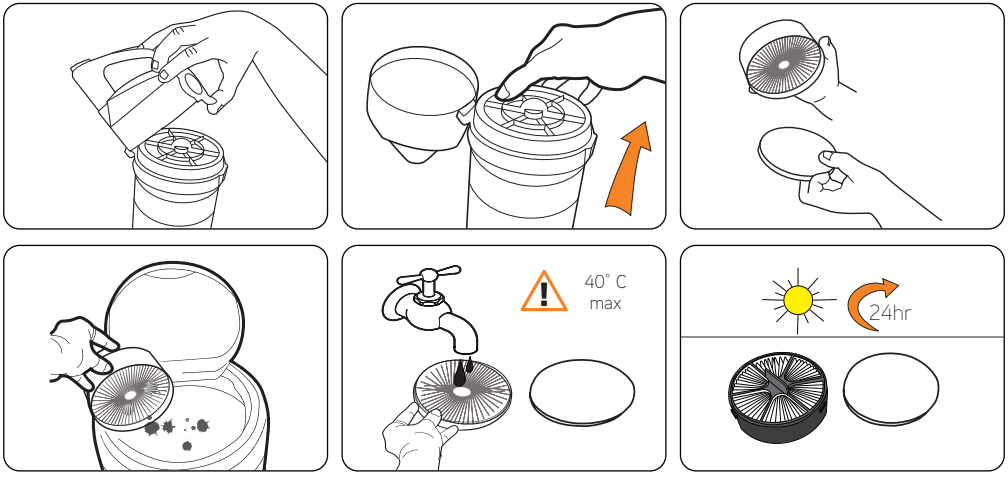
Keep your Vax like new



IMPORTANT: The condition of the filters affects the performance of your machine. Please check and wash filters periodically (depending on the level of use).

IMPORTANT: Do not use the vacuum cleaner without all of the filters in place.

Cleaning the HEPA pre-motor filter



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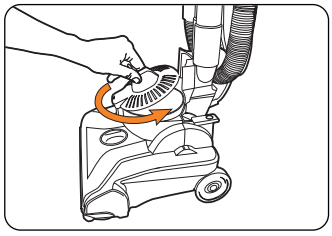
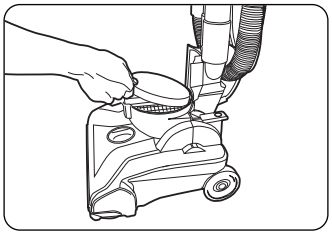
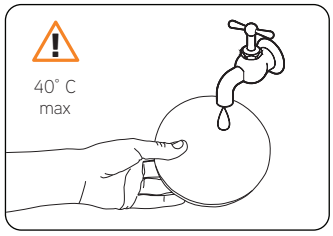
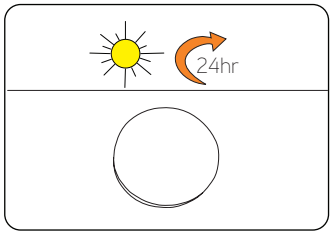
Cleaning the post-motor









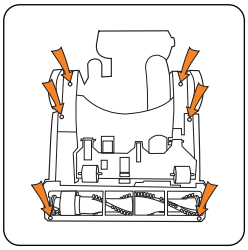
Maintenance (Keep your Vax as good as new)

Identification and removal of blockages

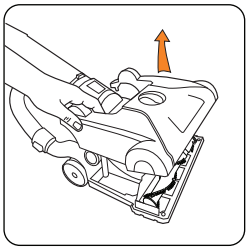
WARNING: To reduce the risk of electric shock, turn the vacuum cleaner off and unplug from the electrical outlet before performing maintenance/troubleshooting checks.

The blockage indicator will change in colour from green to red should a blockage occur. Disconnect the hose from the vacuum cleaner and remove any blockages found then reconnect the hose securely. Refer to FAQs for further possible causes and solutions.

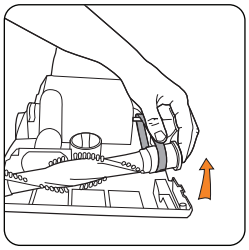
Removing blockages from the brushbar



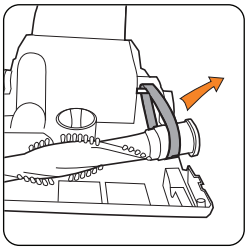
Unscrew the six screws on the base of the unit.



Remove floor nozzle cover.



Lift brushbar.



Remove the belt from the end of the brushbar.

FAQs

WARNING: to reduce the risk of personal injury, unplug the vacuum cleaner before performing maintenance/troubleshooting checks.

Is there an accessory missing?

- Check the 'Parts Overview' page in this guide to make sure the part is definitely included in your unit.
- If it is missing, we're here to help. Simply call us on **0844 412 8455**

Why won't the vacuum cleaner pick up?

- The dirt container may be incorrectly installed; remove the dirt container from the unit by pressing the dirt container release button and then re-attaching it to the unit, ensuring it is locked firmly back into place.
- The filter may be clogged; refer to 'Maintenance: Cleaning the filters' on page 6.
- The dirt container may be blocked; refer to 'Maintenance: Emptying and cleaning the dirt container' on pages 6 and 7.
- There may be a blockage in the hose/tube; disconnect from the vacuum cleaner. Carefully remove any blockages found and reconnect securely.

Why is dust escaping from the vacuum?

- The filter may be clogged; refer to 'Maintenance: Cleaning the filters' on pages 6 and 7.
- The dirt container may be blocked; refer to 'Maintenance: Emptying and cleaning the dirt container' on page 6.
- The dirt container may be incorrectly installed; remove the dirt container from the unit by pressing the dirt container release button and then re-attaching it to the unit, ensuring it is locked firmly back into place.

What do I do if the unit/an accessory becomes damaged or broken?

- We're here to help. Simply call **0844 412 8455** or visit **vax.co.uk**

Why won't the accessories pick up properly?

- Hose blockages: remove the hose from the unit. Carefully remove any blockages found and reconnect hose securely.
- Accessory blockages: remove accessory from handle/tube. Carefully remove blockage and re-attach to the vacuum cleaner.
- The accessory may be faulty. Simply call us on **0844 412 8455** for assistance.

Why will the vacuum cleaner not run?

- It may not be plugged into the electrical outlet correctly; ensure that the plug is pushed in securely.
- The electrical outlet may not be working properly; check the fuse or breaker, or consult an electrician.
- The motor thermostat may have tripped; switch off and unplug the vacuum cleaner, and leave for one hour before switching the cleaner back on.

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If you have queries or concerns about using your Vax, call the Vax Careline. Calls are charged at the UK local rate. Please make a note of the serial number and model number of the vacuum cleaner before calling. For the nearest Service Agent, please call the Vax Careline or visit **vax.co.uk**

Consumables

To purchase spares and accessories, please visit **vax.co.uk**

Type 42 Filter Kit: 1-1-131746-00

Technical Specification

Voltage:	220-240V ~50Hz
Wattage:	1500W
Capacity:	1.1L
Filters:	Pre-motor filters (washable) / Post motor (washable)
Cord length:	6m (approx)
Weight:	5.6kg

Subject to technical change without notice.

CE EEC Statement of Compliance

Manufacturer/EEC importer: Vax Limited, hereby on our own responsibility, declare that the U88-M8 series is manufactured in compliance with the following Directives:

Safety: 2006/95/EC Low Voltage Directive
EMC: 2004/108/EC Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive

Waste electrical products should not be disposed of with household waste. Please recycle where facilities exist. Check with your Local Authority or retailer for recycling advice.

Notes